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#### Barber's Chair Used by Lincoln

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## Abe's Barber Chair Vincennes Showpiece

VINCENNES, Ind.—The barber chair in which Abe Lincoln sat in Kentucky is now in a place of honor in Tiny Tiffany's barber shop here.

Mrs. Tiffany actually bought the chair several years ago at an antique auction in Princeton. Papers attested to the fact that Lincoln had, indeed, sat in the chair for shaves and haircuts. Exactly where these chores were performed, and when, is not known.

Vincennes, of course, already has many reminders of Lincoln . . . The place where he saw his first printing press, where he made campaign speeches, stayed overnight at the old Ellis Mansion and the home of Col. Cyrus Allen.

The walnut barber chair is covered with green plush, has a rolling footstool and a detachable head rest.

In addition to the chair, the Tiffany shop boasts more than 180 shaving mugs, collected since

1955. Most of them are displayed in an authentic "mug case." Only one mug has a name and date "caroline Alice Bradbury, born April 8, 1864." She was a barber in the East, according to the antique dealer.



**"ABE LINCOLN SAT HERE"** proclaims the sign being installed by Tiny Tiffany in his Vincennes barbershop.

Louisville Times

**CHAIR IN WHICH HONEST  
ABE WAS FIRST SHAVED?**

**FOR SALE**—Two spinning wheels, one coffee motar, one side saddle, one old-time barber chair, said to be the first chair that Abraham Lincoln was shaved in. Three miles east of Munfordville, Route 1.—(Advertisement in Hart County News, Munfordville.)

